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LOCAL METAL FINISHING SHOP TO RECEIVE RECOGNITION FROM STATE

Burbank -- Donald Leiker, owner and operator of K & L Anodizing will receive recognition from the California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) and the City of Burbank as a Metal Finishing "Model Shop" in a brief ceremony to be held on Wednesday, September 21, 2005 during Pollution Prevention Week. Mr. Leiker will be recognized by DTSC Acting Director Leonard Robinson.

DTSC is honoring Mr. Leiker for having the first metal finishing business to be recognized as a "Model Shop" by the Metal Finishing Model Shop Program in Southern California. K & L Anodizing voluntarily participated in the program and has demonstrated its commitment to pollution prevention by implementing measures which have resulted in a dramatic reduction of waste water pollution, cost saving energy conservation techniques and an in-house solid waste recycling and reuse program.

During the ceremony pictures will be displayed which highlight the pollution prevention technologies which have resulted in the company's ability to achieve the reduction in waste generation and in energy conservation.

The ceremony will be held:

Date: Wednesday, September 21, 2005
Time: 5:30 p.m.
Location: Steven's Steakhouse
5332 Steven's Place
Commerce, CA

The Metal Finishing Model Shop program is a partnership between industry and regulatory agencies to help individual companies engaged in metal plating implement pollution prevention measures and achieve greater compliance with multimedia environmental regulations. In Southern California, the Model Shop Program is chaired by DTSC with the Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County, City of Los Angeles, Bureau of Sanitation, City of Burbank Public Works, Orange County Sanitation District and the Metal Finishing Association of Southern California as participating agencies.

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The Department of Toxic Substances Control's mission is to restore, protect, and enhance the environment and ensure public health, environmental quality and economic vitality by regulating hazardous waste, conducting and overseeing cleanups, and developing and promoting pollution prevention.